

United States District Court
For the Northern District of California

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5 GREGORY C. PAPEDO and JANICE A.
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9 No. C 05-04101 WHA
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11 Plaintiffs,

12 v. **ORDER OF REFERRAL**
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14 CARDIOLOGY ASSOCIATES OF MARIN;
15 GERALD YOUNG, M.D.; MARIN
16 GENERAL HOSPITAL; MERCK & CO.,
17 INC.; MERCK RESEARCH
18 LABORATORIES, INC.; and DOES 3 through
19 200, inclusive,
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21 Defendants.

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24 This action appears to be one of several cases currently pending in the Northern District
25 of California involving the prescription drug VIOXX®. The earliest-filed action was *Guinta v.*
26 *Merck & Co., Inc.*, Case No. C 04-5061 MHP. Pursuant to Civil Local Rule 3-12(c), the Court
27 refers this matter to Judge Marilyn H. Patel for the purpose of determining whether it is related
28 as defined in Civil Local Rule 3-12(a).

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31 **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

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33 Dated: October 14, 2005

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37 WILLIAM ALSUP
38 UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE